

**Librarian's Report**  
**5/20/2015**

Assistant Librarian Position

Unfortunately, Marie Juhlin has had to submit her resignation for the Assistant Librarian position. I have asked Susan Wyatt, one of our long term volunteers, to consider filling the position and she is interested. She may be able to attend our meeting on Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Alternative Energy Programs

Susan Wyatt, in addition initiating and maintaining the bulletin board on the pipeline project, has proposed that the Library host a series of programs on alternative energy in the fall. She was hoping that Jonathan and Shelia might be able to speak about their experience as homeowners with solar energy and she is looking into presenters for solar, wind and geothermal energy. These presentations would be held at the Library.

Early Literacy Program

This program continues to be very popular. I have purchased some items for the program that I had outlined in the Rotary Club Success by Six Grant--a CD/MP3 player, musical instruments and foam blocks to play with. Diane Wood will be leading a program for parents on June 10<sup>th</sup> (during story time) about how the importance of early literacy and how to help their children learn to read. This will be our last program until fall as the summer reading program starts up!

Summer Reading Program

"Every Hero Has a Story," promises to be a lot of fun! I have an outline for Wednesday programs between June 17 and August 12. All supplies and books have been purchased--I was able to do most of the purchasing on Amazon and using a Visa rebate card we had received from Staples. A flyer has been submitted for approval by the Superintendent for distribution to local elementary schools. We are looking forward to visits from local superheroes from the Fire and Police Departments and hopefully our new doggie reading pair.

Volunteers

Volunteers continue to be the backbone of support for our library. Wednesdays continue to be busy with Elaine and Trish. Hayden and Patty are back and helping to get ready for summer reading. Susan and Bonnie continue archival work on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Nathan Bosquet helped me relabel the Easy Reader books as part of his senior high school project. I acted as his "community member" on his review panel for his presentation (he did very well!).

Archives

Jenna and I met on May 6<sup>th</sup>. I gave her a tour of downstairs (and a key!) and we discussed various policies and forms. She will be working on a new accession policy and will be coordinating with the Town's Retention Committee. She will also begin work on sorting some collections downstairs. She has already begun to answer incoming research questions. I think we are off to a great start!

The "Old Houses" album collection has been completed and one box has been returned to Keene. Susan continues work on the Dorothy Robbins Collection, and Bonnie will be starting on several small collections.

I am continuing to rehouse the Edith Atkins Collection and have continued moving the original photograph collection into proper storage containers. Before Marie left, she assisted with changing the box numbers in the Past Perfect database for those photographs that have been moved. I have described, reformatted, and sent back to Keene one small box of seven books ranging in dates from 1811-1958. The inventory of downstairs is complete. Two boxes of maps are almost ready to be sent to Keene. The Selectmen's records remain an ongoing project.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wendy O'Brien, Librarian